



**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of Timothy P. Croughan

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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

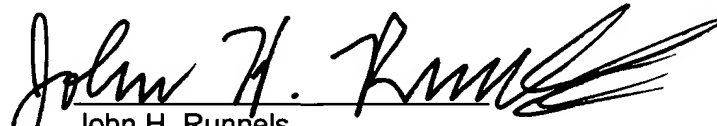
In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed on May 2, 2005, please amend the specification as shown in the Appendix.

The only changes presented by this amendment are to clarify the status of patent application 09/351,889, which is cited twice in the specification. This

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**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that this Amendment after Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Issue Fee, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 29, 2005.

  
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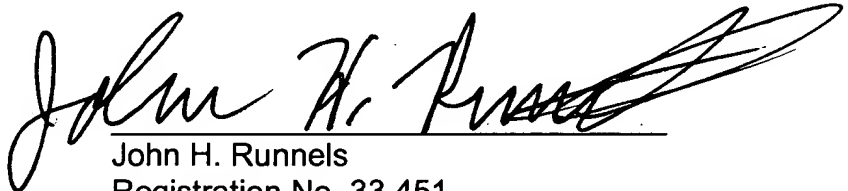
application has now issued as patent 6,274,796. The two citations have now been corrected to refer to the issued patent number, rather than to the serial number. The 09/351,889 application *per se* was never published. Thus a reference to the issued patent number rather than to the application serial number will more easily enable the public to locate the cited reference once the present application issues as a patent.

The undersigned apologizes for not presenting these technical corrections earlier. This Amendment after Allowance should present no substantial burden to the Office.

If any extension of time is required, please consider this paper a petition for the total extension of time required.

It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this Amendment. In the event that a fee is due, please refer to the Deposit Account Authorization previously filed for this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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